

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

To "loosen" the rules will only hurt the consumer...especially in a time of near recession when people like me are trying to figure out how we are going to keep paying our cable bill as it is. Not only that, but if the cable companies merge into one or two super companies, we run the risk of greatly impinging on the free communication that we as American's so greatly value as these companies will effectively control all forms of mass communication. Please don't let this happen.